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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: OVIP (ROCKEFELLER, NELSON A.)  
SUBJECT: ROCKEFELLER VISIT TO KUWAIT

1. PRIVATE VISIT OF FORMER VICE PRESIDENT AND MRS.  
NELSON ROCKEFELLER TO KUWAIT APRIL 24-26 WENT WELL. THEY  
WERE ACCOMPANIED BY ADVISORS GEORGE WOOD (FORMER WORLD  
BANK PRESIDENT) AND ARTHUR TAYLOR (FORMER PRESIDENT CBS).

2. GOVERNOR ROCKEFELLER, ACCOMPANIED BY WOODS, TAYLOR  
AND AMBASSADOR, CALLED ON AMIR, SHAIKH JABER AL-AHMAD,  
CROWN PRINCE/PRIME MINISTER SHAIKH SA'AD AL-ABDULLA, AND  
MINISTER OF OIL SHAIKH ALI KHALIFA. MEETINGS WERE CORDIAL  
AND FRIENDLY. GOVERNOR ROCKEFELLER WAS ACCOMPANIED TO  
FIRST TWO MEETINGS MENTIONED ABOVE BY KHALID ABU SA'UD,  
FINANCIAL ADVISOR TO THE AMIR, WHO APPARENTLY IS THE  
PRINCIPAL GOK OFFICIAL INVOLVED IN EXAMINING PROPOSED  
PROJECT MENTIONED BELOW.

3. MAIN SUBJECT OF THE MEETINGS WAS ROCKEFELLER PROPOSAL  
FOR JOINT VENTURE PROJECT ABOUT WHICH APPROPRIATE  
OFFICES IN DEPT. ARE INFORMED. KUWAITI REACTION WAS  
RESTRAINED. THEY ALSO HAD DIFFICULTY GRASPING BROAD  
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CONCEPT ON WHICH PROJECT WAS BASED. MINISTER OF OIL  
RAISED SPECIFIC OBJECTION TO ABSENCE OF MATCHED CAPITAL  
INPUT INTO PROJECT.

4. AMBASSADOR HELD SMALL RECEPTION FOR GOVERNOR AND  
MRS. ROCKEFELLER EVENING APRIL 25 ATTENDED BY KUWAITI  
GOVERNMENT AND NATIONAL OIL COMPANY OFFICIALS, AS WELL

AS REPRESENTATIVE KUWAITI BUSINESSMEN, INCLUDING BANK  
PRESIDENTS, AND AMBASSADORS OF COUNTRIES WHICH ROCKE-  
FELLERS ARE VISITING.

5. COMMENT. GOVERNOR ROCKEFELLER'S GREGARIOUS AND  
GRACIOUS MANNER CONTRIBUTED TO GOOD ATMOSPHERE OF  
MEETINGS. OTHER QUESTIONS BESIDES PRIVATE PROJECT WERE ONLY  
TOUCHED ON LIGHTLY, BUT GOVERNOR SAID ALL THE RIGHT  
THINGS ABOUT THE DOLLAR AND OIL PRICES.  
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